permit of residence in Switzerland on moral grounds;

(b) what is the impact of this denial on his claim of N.R.I. status; and

(c) whether he is now being called to India for investigations with regard to cases of FERA violations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) Shri Ajitabh Bachchan has a valid business visa for Switzerland.

(c) The enquiry into case of alleged FERA violations against Shri Ajitabh Bachchan is still in progress.

Exports to hard currency Areas

1636. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total value of exports (excluding oil) to hard currency areas during 1987-88 as compared to 1986-87;

(b) what would be the value of export for 1987-88 at constant exchange rates; and

(c) what is the real percentage increase in exports to hard currency areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) to (c) According to the country-wise trade statistics available for April—December 1987, India's exports to the countries in the General Currency Area (other than Rupee Payment Areas) amounted to Rs. 9435.55 crores as compered to Rs. 7256.54 crores during April-December 1986, thereby showing an increase of 30.0 per cent.

As currencies in the world are floating, the concept of constant exchange rate does not apply. However, total export to the countreis in the General Currency Area during April-December 1987, in terms of the average exchange rate for US Dollars during April-December 1986 amounted to US $ 1426.88 million as gainst exports of US $ 5711.74 million during April-December 1986, thus registering an increase of 30.0 per cent.

Exemption from income tax on poultry sector

@1636-A. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state whether the National Egg Coordination Committee is reported to have since given convincing reasons warranting exemption from payment of Income Tax by the Poultry Sector and if so, in what way Government have proved responsive to this dire need of the Poultry Sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): The National Egg Coordination Committee, a non-Governmental Organisation, had written to Government requesting that income from the business of poultry farming be exempted from income tax. This request was examined in detail and Government could not agree to it.

Commercial TIE up with a German Firm

@@1636-B. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that one of the firms that participated in the Techno Germa '88 in Delhi was Mukam of West Germany;

(b) whether Government are aware that serious complaints of violation of automatic safety regulations had been raised against that firm;

(c) whether there is any proposal for commercial tie up with the firm; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND

@Previously Unstarred Question 1168, transferred from the 6th May, 1988.

@@Previously Unstarred Question 1354 transferred from the 9th May, 1988.

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI): (a) According to the information available, no such firm participated in the Techno Germa'88 exhibition held in New Delhi during March 14-20, 1980.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Different pay scales for caretakers in different Ministries

@@@1636-C. SHRI T. CHANDRA SHEKHAR REDDY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Fourth Pay Commission has not recommended any pay scales for the post of caretaker in different Ministries;

(b) whether it is also a fact that different Ministres are giving different scales to their caretakers;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) what are the future prospects of such caretakers who are working on ex cadre posts; and

(e) whether Govt. propose to form a uniform scale of pay for the post of caretakers employed in different Ministries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B. K. GADHVI): (a) to (e) The revised pay scales recommended by the Fourth Central Pay Commission in Chapter 8 of their report apply to all posts other than those for which specific recommendations have been made by the Commission in Chapters 9,10,11 and 27 of their report. The Commission did not make any specific recommendation in regard to the revised pay scales of caretakers in different Ministries. Therefore, the scales recommended by the Commission in Chapter 8 and as notified by Govt. in part-A of the First Schedule to the CCS (RP) Rules, 1986 apply to caretakers wherever existing in different Ministries. No disparity in regard to the pay scales and future prospects of caretakers has been brought to the notice of this Ministry after the submission of the Fourth Central Pay Commission's report.

Convension on Greater Mizoram at Champhai

@@@@1636-D. DR. C. SILVERA:
SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH:
SHRI KAPIL VERMA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that former Chief Minister of Mizoram Brig. T. Sailo and his-party is going to organise a convention at Champhai Mizoram on the 20th and 21st May, 1988 for greater Mizoram in which delegates from Burma, Bangladesh, Tripura and Manipur have been invited;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that 260 volunteers from Burma have already

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@@@Previously Unstarred Question 1936 transferred from the 12th May, 1988.

@@@@Previously Unstarred Question 2049 transferred from the 12th May, 1980.